

Miller & Rhoads

Our New Dress Goods and Silk Store.

Our Dress Goods and Silks were moved into their new quarters last night. To-day the inaugural sale will move on with a greater impetus than it has yet had, owing to the fact that the great assortments of both wool and silk fabrics can be seen to greater advantage than ever before. Everything is new—store, fixtures and merchandise—the only thing about this store that never changes is its straightforward way of dealing with the public.

Our new windows on Broad Street are filled with the new merchandise. To make the opening of the New Dress Goods and Silk Section more notable, we are making many special offers, such as

French Voiles, Novelty Mohairs, Marquisette Voiles, Chiffon Pangamas, Embroidered Voiles, New Serge Suitings, Mohair Sicilians,	All \$1.50 Goods for \$1 yd.
Chiffon Voiles, Crepe de Paris, Caro de Soie, Voile Ninons, Tissue Suitings,	\$1 to \$1.50 val-ues, 69c yd.
Striped Louisine Jacquards, Striped Louisines, Striped Taffetas, Checked Taffetas, Crepe de Chines, Roman Striped Taffetas, Black Waterproof Habutai, Black Peau de Soie, Black Louisine, Black Messalines,	All 75c Silks for 59c yd.

RAISE BALANCE OF FUND TO-DAY

Chamber of Commerce Committees Struggling to Accomplish This End.

WORKED HARD YESTERDAY

Will Meet at 5 o'clock This Afternoon to Figure Up Results.

With today and to-morrow left in which to raise the balance of the \$20,000 needed as a maintenance and advertisement fund to bring Richmond property before the throng of visitors who will be here during the year, the nineteen committees of the Chamber of Commerce are greatly encouraged at the outlook, though a prominent leader of the movement said last night that it would require hard work to accomplish the desired results.

The committee toiled earnestly yesterday, though no figures as to recent results were available, as the next meeting will not occur until 5 o'clock this afternoon.

The chamber has taken a most progressive and enterprising stand in the matter, and the committees, composed largely of strong business men, are devoting themselves industriously and unselfishly to the work. They are making great efforts to secure the necessary funds to raise a fund to be used in a patriotic cause, and they earnestly ask that citizens will respond promptly and liberally to their appeals. There are but two days left in which to complete the amount needed, and it is believed that the balance will be secured in that time.

Will Fight to End.

The committee will considerable work yesterday, but the work was with what success, as owing to the fact there was no meeting there was no comparison of notes or adding up of the various amounts that may have been secured by individuals or members. The work will be resumed this morning, and a heavy day's campaign is anticipated. If it is possible the entire amount will be gotten by 5 o'clock this afternoon, as to-morrow is a short business day, and but little can be accomplished in such work on Saturdays.

At the last meeting, Wednesday afternoon, the committee was short about \$7,000. It may be that this was materially reduced as a result of yesterday's work, but the committee will continue their labors to-day with the view of getting this amount. The campaign being conducted will be short and sharp, and those who are helping it are being commended for their unselfish labors.

TRIBUTE TO MR. WEST.

Deceased Young Lawyer Honored by His Associates at the Bar.

Resolutions of respect to the late Benjamin Herndon West were adopted Wednesday afternoon by a meeting of the members of the bar of the city over which the Hon. Henry J. Pollard presided. The committee named to draft the resolutions consisted of Messrs. Ernest M. Long (chairman), George C. Pitzler, George H. Watson, George Bryan and Colonel George Wayne Anderson. Mr. Frank T. Sutton, Jr., was secretary of the meeting.

The resolutions are a handsome tribute to the deceased, citing his successful surmounting of obstacles in preparing for his profession, his studious habits, his industry and many qualities and eulogizing him especially on his conscientious Christian character and modest manners.

The resolutions are admirably drawn and pay a deserved tribute to one of Richmond's most beloved young men.

HELD ON SUSPICION.

George Davis Told Bicycle Story That Did Not Hold.

George Davis, a negro, who came to Richmond from Maryland, was held for twelve months in default of security he gave to jail for one year by Justice Crutcher.

Davis went to the store of Mr. Thompson, a bicycle man, Wednesday and said he worked for Mr. Henry, who was wanted with a wheel. Mr. Thompson sent an employee with the negro and learned from this employee that the negro was not being used by the negro.

Quire Perdue learned that the negro was working for Mr. Henry, and he went on the trail. As a result he found the man and followed him down Marshall Street until he reached the home of Mrs. Davis, who lived in a house and explained that his employer lived there.

The doorbell was rung and Davis asked for permission to use the telephone. A second later the landlady appeared and said she did not know the negro who was with the magistrate.

Davis was afterwards taken to the sec-

VIRGINIA FIRM GETS CONTRACT

T. S. Beckwith & Co., of Petersburg, to Furnish Books for Traveling Libraries.

WERE THE LOWEST BIDDERS

G. P. Putnam's Sons' Figures Higher Than Those of Successful Concern.

Acting under authority conferred upon them by the State Library Board, Messrs. Charles V. Meredith and S. S. P. Patterson, comprising the executive committee of that body, met last night and awarded to T. S. Beckwith & Co. (Inc.), of Petersburg, a contract to furnish approximately \$1,200 worth of books for the general traveling libraries of the State.

The bid of the Virginia firm was the lowest, those competing having been the Book Supply Company, of Chicago; McDevitt-Wilson Company and G. P. Putnam's Sons, of New York. When the bid of the Beckwith Company was first received it did not conform to the terms of the advertisement, and was returned for correction and modification. When it had been modified so as to comply with the regulations fixed by the library board, it was accepted over all the others, having been the lowest submitted.

The advertisement was first inserted asking for the bids on January 25th, and they have all been in for some time; but final action upon them was deferred, owing to the heavy work entailed upon the board and librarian by the recent investigation.

Will Come at Once.

Mr. Kennedy stated last night that a large portion of the books just ordered for the traveling libraries will be delivered within two weeks, and that all the orders now on file for general traveling libraries will be filled at once.

It will be recalled that one of the unsuccessful bidders for the contract just awarded was the firm of G. P. Putnam's Sons, of New York, which was so much in evidence at the recent library board, and from which Mr. Kennedy had purchased large quantities of books.

The relative standing of the bids could not be ascertained, but it is certain that the figures submitted by the Putnam firm were above those of the Petersburg firm.

After the discussion of the subject of book-buying before the legislative investigating committee, it will be a matter of much interest to the book-dealers and the public that the next order of any considerable amount was awarded to a Virginia concern.

MORE ANIMALS COMING.

Bostock Gets Large Shipment to Be Trained Here for Exposition.

Bernard Schultz, treasurer of Bostock's White Animal Show, has received a telegram from Director Bostock, saying that a large shipment of animals for Richmond had just arrived.

They will be shipped direct to this city, and will arrive here to-morrow or Sunday. The shipment embraces ten lions, eight tigers, two elephants, four bears and four camels. The animals will be put in training upon their arrival here for the Jamestown Exposition.

The animals were shipped from Europe, and arrived in New York without any special incident.

A PROSPECTIVE WEDDING.

Miss Janie Marie Nolan to Become Wife of Mr. O'Keefe.

A wedding of interest to many will be that between Mr. Frank O'Keefe, a popular employee of Murphy's Hotel, and Miss Janie Marie Nolan, daughter of Mrs. Sarah Nolan, of No. 2107 Jefferson Avenue, which will take place on April 22.

The ceremony will be performed in St. Patrick's Church at 8 o'clock, and will be performed by Rev. McKee. Mr. John Nolan, brother of the bride-elect, will be best man, and the ushers will be Messrs. James McCabe, Dr. T. E. Leonard, James Manning, Charles Epps and Frank Cataglin.

After the ceremony, the bride and groom will start on their honeymoon to Washington, Philadelphia and Wilmington, Del.

HORSE RAN INTO A CAR.

Animal Bruised Up and the Boy Driving Given a Scare.

William Anderson, a fourteen-year-old boy, who was driving a horse and carriage, drove his horse into a Main Street car last night. The horse was badly skinned up, and the boy was thrown from his seat and considerably bruised. Passengers on the car say that the motor-man was not to blame for the accident.

CANDIDATES WISH AN EARLY PRIMARY

Suggestion That Fight Be Disposed of in May Meets With Favor.

If the apparent wishes of the legislative aspirants and a large number of the Democratic voters of the city are gratified, the primary to name candidates for the Senate and House of Delegates will be held some time during the latter part of May.

Indeed, there is a concerted move on hand to request the City Democratic Committee to take action looking to this end, so that the struggle may not be prolonged into the heat of summer. It is pointed out that the legislative aspirants are already well known to the voters, and that no great good can be accomplished by a prolonged struggle. Some of the members of the City Committee, on the other hand, contend that it will not be practicable to hold the primary until the new voting lists are made up by the Clerk of the Hustings Court after the time for the payment of 1906 poll taxes shall have expired. May 6th is the last day for such payment, and the law gives the Treasurer and Clerk forty days in which to complete the lists. They must have them ready within this time, though they may prepare them earlier. It is not believed that half of this time will be consumed, and that the lists will probably be completed in time to have the primary by May 20th. At any rate, a strong sentiment prevails in favor of an early date, and the committee will be impetioned to give the proposition their earnest consideration.

HOWITZERS MADE FINE SHOWING

Battery A Presented Seventy-Eight Officers and Men at Inspection.

HOP FOLLOWS INSPECTION

Command Soon to Be Recruited to 133 Men—News Among the Other Military.

With four officers and seventy-four men present at their inspection by Colonel C. A. Dempsey, U. S. A., retired, last night, the Richmond Howitzers made a showing of which Captain William M. Myers feels very proud, and on which they were greatly complimented by the inspecting officer. Owing to the fact that some of the battery's armament has been sent back to Rock Island Arsenal for certain changes made necessary by new and recent devices, the Howitzers could not go through with their ordinary drill, and were forced to content themselves with foot drill, in which, however, they showed themselves very proficient.

The battery was made to go through the usual drill work by Colonel Dempsey, who then examined the members of the battery and their equipment. Everything was found to be satisfactory, and in a short time the Howitzers took occasion to compliment Captain Myers and his men on their fine showing, and to tell them in many points the result of the inspection was the best he had yet seen.

Captain Myers, when seen last night, said that he felt very proud of his command, and praised his men for the manner in which they had conducted themselves during the inspection.

After the inspection, the men were dismissed, and the drill was continued for a dance. The occasion proved to be very enjoyable, and the Howitzers were complimented as one of the most pleasant in their line of duty.

The officers present were Captain W. M. Myers, Lieutenant F. W. Minson, Lieutenant E. P. Taylor, Lieutenant G. C. Rees and Lieutenant W. Armstrong, Jr., surgeon.

The battery appeared for the first time in the new full-dress uniform supplied by the United States government. The new uniform is very handsome and elaborate, and shows up well.

Battery to Be Enlarged.

The battery now has equipment for 133 men, which was purchased by the United States government at a cost of \$55,000. The new armament will be used for the first time in the parade incident to the Confederate Reunion, to be held here during the week of the Exposition. It will be used again when the Howitzers go on their long march to Norfolk to attend the exposition. They will stay at the exposition for ten days, June 5th to June 15th.

The Howitzers are now asking the city for a \$10,000 appropriation to enlarge the battery and make improvements, most of which are demanded by the prospective increase in the complement of men required by the new military regulations. The committee is now before the Finance Commission.

New Company Drills.

Company C, of the Richmond Light Infantry Blues, held their weekly drill last night in their hall on Main Street. The new company is rapidly getting into shape, and will soon be on a par with the other two companies. The Blues' Band was also drilled, and their music enlivened the occasion.

Company A, the oldest of the three, has a new service uniform of Company B, has arrived. There is still a large part of the equipment to come.

Company A, the oldest of the three, had its regular weekly drill last night at the armory, with a good turnout. The men are counting on making an excellent showing during the re-union exercises and at Jamestown.

Captain Hardy's company is now recruited fully, and made a perfect drill at the recent inspection. This company also has the best rifle team in the regiment, or at least, an unbeaten one.

Sergeant Major Mills, of the Seventh Regiment, is accumulating the necessary complement of men for a new company to be attached to the regiment. He is selecting the men with care as to character and habits, and there is good prospect that an excellent command will be gotten together in a few days.

Major J. P. Bowles, commanding the Richmond Light Infantry Blues Battalion, states that the new full-dress uniforms for the battalion will probably not arrive here until about May 1st. Companies A and B, which were recently burned out, have not yet received their new arms and accoutrements, and are therefore without arms. The youngest of the three commands, have arrived. It was declared that there were available at the time of shipment only such arms as the company and these were being accordingly forwarded to Company C.

All three of the companies of the battalion were drilled last night. Company C had the finest battalion drill on Broad Street in front of the City Hall, with Company A and Company B, and their full complement of officers participating. Major Bowles commanding. Both companies had full ranks, about forty men in each being in line. The men wore their khaki uniforms, and the new service uniform. Company C were being drilled in squads and were working hard. The new command is rapidly gaining proficiency.

PREPARE TO HOUSE BAPTIST HOSTS

Boarding-Houses and Residences Will Accommodate the Hundreds of Delegates.

Mr. W. D. Duke, chairman of the committee on hotels and boarding-houses for the coming Southern Baptist Convention, has issued a circular letter to the hotels and boarding-house keepers of the city, with blanks for securing certain data about the rates and accommodations. It is expected that the gathering this year will be the largest in the history of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the committee are making every possible arrangement for the comfortable housing of the delegates and visitors.

The Baptist Convention opens on May 14th, and will last for five or six days. There will then be ten days' recess in which to get the city in readiness for the great crowds that will come to the Confederate Reunion and the unveiling of the two monuments. The reunion opens on May 30th. A number of the Baptists from the far South are having their tickets so arranged as to allow them to spend the intervening time at the Jamestown Exposition and return to Richmond in time to join in the great Confederate celebration.

Mr. S. L. Cole, No. 1 South Pine Street, left the Washington, D. C., yesterday to visit her mother. She will return Sunday.

ANOTHER GREAT REUNION BODY

Confederated Southern Memorial Associations to Gather in This City.

IN SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH

Assembly of Distinguished Southern Women Will Spend Five Days Here.

Mrs. W. J. Behan, of New Orleans, the president of the Confederate Southern Memorial Association, announced that the eighth annual convention of the association will be held in this city, May 30th and 31st, June 1st, 2d and 3d, at the same time as the United Confederate Veterans Reunion. The Confederate Southern Memorial Association will hold its convention in the Second Baptist Church, Franklin and Adams Street, one square from "The Jefferson."

The first session of the body will be held Thursday, May 30th, at 10 A. M., when the official program will be distributed.

Morning sessions will be called to order at 9 A. M., and will adjourn at 12 M., and delegates are invited to participate in a luncheon served by the ladies of Richmond at the place of meeting, Friday and Saturday.

Afternoon sessions will be resumed subject to call.

A bureau of information will be located at "The Jefferson," and a supply of stationery, circulars, railroad folders, etc., will be furnished. Delegates are requested to register upon arrival at convention headquarters.

There are over sixty memorial associations enrolled in the Confederation, but it is known that many associations are still in existence which are not enrolled.

At the invitation of the commander-in-chief, General Stephen D. Lee, it has been again decided to hold a joint memorial service with the United Confederate Veterans. This joint service will be held in the United Confederate Veterans' Auditorium, Sunday, June 2d, at 3 P. M. Rev. W. W. Moore, D. D., of the United Theological Seminary, has been selected to deliver the memorial address in behalf of the Confederate Southern Memorial Association.

Seventy delegates for the delegates and alternates, who are especially invited to attend.

The officers of the Confederate Memorial Association are as follows: Mrs. W. J. Behan, president, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. George A. Williams, corresponding secretary, New Orleans, La.; Miss Daisy M. L. Hodgson, recording secretary, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. Charles G. Wright, treasurer, Vicksburg, Miss.; Miss Mary A. Hall, historian, Algiers, La.; and Mrs. J. C. Harrison, Jr., secretary for each State.

Yesterday was a tremendously busy day at reunion headquarters, and Colonel John W. Gordon, the general chairman, was kept occupied from morning until night. His mail daily grows heavier, and he has hundreds of things to demand his attention.

A modest friend of the old soldiers, who does not wish his name printed, yesterday sent a \$5 contribution to the reunion fund.

SOCIETY.

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announced her marriage at noon Wednesday to Mr. John Branch Stockton, of Denver, 8th, for that purpose. Mrs. Stockton is the daughter of Mr. John Lambert, formerly Miss Florence Parker, of Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Stockton left shortly afterward for their future home in Denver, Col.

Jr. O. M. A. Meets.

Junior Oakwood Memorial Association held an important called meeting in the home of the president, Mrs. C. M. Adams, yesterday afternoon. Several important matters in connection with Memorial Day and the Confederate Reunion were settled.

It was decided that the Junior Association should assist the Seniors in a reception to be given during the re-union. Mrs. Dudley Edwards was asked to delegate to represent the association at the Confederate Memorial Association Convention meeting here during the re-union. Miss Grace Schermerhorn was her alternate.

The following ladies were appointed a committee to make garlands for Memorial Day, and will meet on Wednesday, May 22d, for that purpose: Mrs. Albert Goodie, Miss Mary Curtis, Mrs. Brown, Miss Lola Brown, Mrs. A. T. King, Mrs. Kellam, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. William Moore, Miss Alice Moore, Miss Bates, Mrs. Talley, Miss Godsey, Miss Wingfield, Miss Bailey, Miss Julia Woody and Mrs. Bryan.

The next meeting of the association will be held on Monday, April 29th.

Auxiliary Meeting.

The Church Hill Auxiliary, Retreat for the Sick, met yesterday afternoon, with Mrs. B. A. Lord, No. 2200 East Street.

Reports from their recent entertainment showed a profit of \$45.

An application for free treatment was granted, and the patient will take the place of another who has just left the Retreat, after receiving the best care for a month.

Church Social.

All members of the congregation of Grace Street Presbyterian Church are invited to a social to be given this evening from 8 to 10 o'clock in the lecture-room of the church.

Personal Mention.

Mrs. Patterson P. Gallier and Miss Lucy Goode Boyd, of Hildesville, N. C., spent Wednesday night with their sister, Mrs. Birdie Boyd Mason, at No. 107 East Main Street, on their way to New York, where they go for a month's stay.

Mr. Nathaniel Smith, Kenney and bride, formerly Miss Taylor, of Washington, are at the Jefferson for a few days. They will make their home in this city during a large part of the year.

Miss Daisy Yarbrough has returned to her home in Staunton, after a short visit to friends here.

Mrs. S. H. Boykin is visiting her son, Mr. Frank Boykin, in New York. Later she will go to Boston, where she will be the guest of friends.

Among those from a distance who are here to attend the Great Reunion wedding are Miss Kathleen Mount, of

Prepare for the 26th.

Visitors to the formal opening of the Jamestown Exposition will find here suitable garments for the occasion—Full Dress Suits—Double-Breasted Frock Suits—Cravenette Rain Coats—Top Coats—Silk Hats—Gloves and all other requisites.

Gans-Rady Company

Union Springs, Ala., and Mr. John Edgar Rose, Jr., of Mobile, Ala.

Mrs. Talbot Walker, Jr., and Mrs. Arnold Walker have returned to their home in Norfolk, after visiting friends in this city.

Miss Crystal Farinholt, of West Point, will be one of the sponsors at the Confederate Reunion in May. Miss Bessie Lamb, daughter of Congressman Lamb, will be Miss Farinholt's maid of honor.

Miss Nora Childress, of Unionville, Spotsylvania county, is undergoing treatment in the hospital here.

Mrs. Melnot Herbert, of Norfolk, announces the engagement of her daughter, Estelle Nannette, to Mr. John Thomas Scarborough. The wedding will take place on the evening of Wednesday, April 24th, at the residence of the bride's aunt, Mrs. John B. Foster, on Chestnut Street, Berkeley.

Miss Virgie Charles, of this city, attended the wedding of Miss Ethel Roberts to Mr. Frank Charles, which took place in Newport News on Wednesday.

Captain and Mrs. L. C. West, who have been visiting here, have returned to Danville.

Miss Katie Burnett, of Pennsylvania, is spending several weeks with Mrs. Nicholas Cooke. She will visit the Jamestown Exposition before returning home.

Mr. Samuel Donald, of Staunton, is in the city.

Mrs. Yarbrough, of this city, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. E. S. Blanton, in Newport News.

Mrs. D. G. Eggleston and Miss Daisy Eggleston, of Charlotte county, are in the city this week.

Mr. Walter E. Addison has returned to his home in Lynchburg, after visiting in Roanoke and Richmond.

Miss Miriam Haldean has returned to her home in Newport News, after a week's visit to friends here.

Mr. Elmer Williamson, who has been undergoing treatment at Memorial Hospital here, has returned to his home in Roanoke.

Mr. L. McWilliams has returned to Union Theological Seminary, after a visit to friends in Newport News.

The Hon. J. W. Churchman has returned to Staunton, after a visit to Richmond.

BRICKS FELL ON CHILD.

Little Negroes Painfully Injured by the Concussion.

Cora Williams, a four-year-old negro child, was probably fatally wounded yesterday afternoon by having a lot of bricks from a house on Cabell Street fall on her head. The child was walking along the sidewalk when the bricks from a scaffold on the third-story on the house being built on the street, tumbled off. The child was called and Dr. Mason treated the child.

NEGRO WOMAN FELL DEAD

Death from Natural Causes Created Considerable Excitement.

Martha Abbott, a negro woman, fell dead at the corner of Eleventh and Leigh Streets last night. The ambulance was called, and Dr. Mason responded. He took the woman to her home, No. 229 Turpin Street.

The woman had been suffering from neuralgia for some months, and her death was not unexpected. Coroner Taylor was called to view the body. An inquest was unnecessary.

DR. LEVY ON TOUR.

To Study Methods of Fighting Tuberculosis.

Dr. Ernest C. Levy, city health officer, yesterday started on his tour of cities in the North and East with a view of acquiring by close observation and study some ideas of the method of fighting tuberculosis.

Dr. Levy will visit New York, Boston, Baltimore and probably Philadelphia. The tour is being made under instructions from the Board of Health Commissioners, and will last about ten days.

MR. RAMOS TO PLAY.

Will Preside at Organ Concert at Crewe To-Night.

Mr. Manly B. Ramos, of this city, received a telegram yesterday, from a friend in the North, asking him to preside at an organ concert at the large Baptist Church of Crewe to-night.

The church has recently installed a new organ, and the method of Mr. Ramos will play at its dedication.

The occasion promises to be a most interesting one, and the people of Crewe, great interest to the people of Richmond, and an elaborate program has been arranged.

Mr. Ramos will return to the city to-morrow.

Adopt Virginia Rules.

A letter has been received at the Corporation Commission stating that the Railroad Commissioner of the State of Washington has adopted the demurrage rules promulgated by the Virginia Commission.

These rules have been adopted by several other States in different sections of the country.

Mr. Stuart Recovers.

Mr. Alexander Stuart, of Abington, brother of Hon. Henry C. Stuart, of this city, who has been very ill in Memorial Hospital, left for his home this morning.

CASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of

Wm. D. Little